Non-availability of diesel in Rajasthan

2428. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether farmers of Rajasthan are facing difficulties due to non-availability of diesel;

(b) whether agricultural production has been directly affected due to this; and

(c) if so, the steps taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANG WAR): (a) and (b) The Government has not received any report regarding farmers of Rajasthan facing difficulities due to non-availability of diesel.

(c) Requirement of diesel of the State of Rajasthan have been fully met.

Gap between demand and supply of petrol, Kerosene etc.

2429. SHRI VEDPRAKASH P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a gap in the demand and supply of petrol, kerosene and other petroleum products in the country;

(b) if so, how much is the gap and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the new projects and investment to increase the production, project-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANG WAR): (a) and {b) Demand for all the petroleum products is fully met either from indigenous production or from import.